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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below. however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);
 - more than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1));

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), Filing Date Granted mailed November 15, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, enclosed are the following:

- A Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors, Katsuyoshi FUJITA, Hideki MORINO, Hidehito KUBO, Keiji TOH, Hiroyuki MITSUI, Shinichi TOWATA, Kazuhiko ITOH, and Makato ISHIKURA.
- 2. The required fee of \$130.00.

Also being filed concurrently is a Transmittal of Corrected Formal Drawings together with (6) six sheets of corrected formal drawings submitted to correct drawings informalities. No further fees are believed to be due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayments or deduct any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 5000-4964. A duplicate of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 2, 2002

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REOUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT

Sir:

A review of the Filing Receipt mailed November 15, 2001, and received in connection with the above-identified application uncovers an error. A copy of the filing receipt with this change marked in red is attached. Specifically:

In the **Applicant(s)** section, for the <u>eighth</u> inventor's first name, please change: 1.

"Makato" to --Makoto--;

No fees are believed to be due. Should any fees be required for the filing of this communication, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 5000-4964.

It is respectfully requested that a Corrected Filing Receipt be issued.

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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE. NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

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Projected Publication Date: To Be Determined - pending completion of Missing Parts

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publicati n Request: No

Title

Methods for manufacturing hydrogen storage tanks

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. 1.8a)

Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached: (1) Response to File Missing Parts of Application (in duplicate) (along with any paper(s) referred to as being attached or enclosed); (2) Notice to File Missing Parts - Copy to be Returned with Response; (3) Check in the amount of \$130.00 (4) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney; (5) Transmittal of Corrected Formal Drawings (6) Six sheets of Corrected Formal Drawings (labeled) (7) Request for Correction of Filing Receipt (8) Copy of the Filing Receipt with the change marked in red (9) Return postcard; with this Certificate of Mailing are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on date shown below with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Box Missing Parts, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 2, 2002

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TRANSMITTAL OF CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS

Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84, are six (6) sheets of formal drawings, containing Figures 1-6. Please substitute the enclosed six (6) sheets of drawing containing Figures 1-6 for the sheets presently on file.

The Drawings are being submitted to correct informalities as described in the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed November 15, 2001, to which a response is being submitted concurrently. The non - English text has been deleted, and each figure has been properly labeled with "Fig." and the consecutive Arabic numeral.

It is believed that no further fees are required in connection with this transmittal of corrected formal drawings, other than the fee for Missing Parts, which is enclosed herwith. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Docket No. 5000-4964.

A copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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